Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 16 Jul 2021 until 23:59 on Saturday 17 Jul 2021

Forecast Issued on Thursday 15 Jul 2021 at 16:54 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for a lot of dry weather over the next 5 days, lower for cloud amounts and for extent of rain later Sunday and early Monday.

Headline for Friday 16 Jul 2021: Dry with some sunshine at times but with more cloud than Thursday, perhaps persistent near the west coast. A moderate to fresh westerly breeze on the tops.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 16 Jul 2021

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Medium Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Fog	Sunny intervals	Fog	Dull	Cloudy	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals
Precipitation probability							
00%	<05%	10%	20%	20%	10%	<05%	<05%

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Weather: Mostly dry overnight, some clear spells, but low cloud and patchy drizzle will affect the far west. After a sunny start for most the lower cloud in the west will extend east, bringing some patchy drizzle before it gradually thins and breaks in the afternoon. However the west coast ranges may stay dull.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 30% for a time in the morning rising to 70% in the afternoon with chances always highest in the east.

Visibility: Mainly good in the east, away from cloud, but moderate or poor in drizzle or low cloud in the west which could be based at around 500m. Cloud detail uncertain.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	18/22 SW	21/26 SW	23/29 SW	23/30 SW	21/28 SW	20/28 SW	21/28 SW	22/28 SW	24/32 SW
900	11/15 SW	14/19 SW	15/21 SW	16/22 SW	16/23 W	17/24 W	17/24 W	14/20 SW	15/22 SW
600	12/16 SW	14/19 SW	16/22 SW	16/23 SW	17/24 SW	17/24 SW	15/22 SW	14/20 SW	15/21 SW
300	6/9 S	8/12 SW	8/12 SW	10/15 SW	10/16 SW	10/16 SW	10/15 SW	7/13 SW	8/13 SW
Glen	3/7 SW	6/11 SW	7/13 SW	10/16 SW	11/18 SW	9/17 SW	8/14 SW	6/13 SW	7/14 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	8/4	7/3	8/3	9/4	10/6	9/6	9/5	8/4	8/4
900	10/7	9/6	10/7	11/8	12/9	12/9	12/9	10/8	10/7
600	12/10	11/9	12/9	12/10	14/11	14/11	13/11	12/10	12/9
300	14/13	13/12	13/12	14/12	15/14	16/15	16/14	14/13	13/12
Glen	14/14	14/13	14/14	15/14	16/15	18/17	17/17	15/15	14/13
Freezing Level*	2700m	3100m	3200m	3000m	3200m	3100m	3000m	3000m	2900m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
High UV levels and some sunshine mean that protection against sunburn and dehydration will be necessary.

Forecast for Saturday 17 Jul 2021
Weather: Mostly cloudy with some hill fog and patchy drizzle, thickest cloud over Argyll and Lochaber. Chance of more broken cloud and some sunshine over the Trossachs and Arran.

Maximum wind: West or northwest 20 gusts 30mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Less than 30% for most but 60% in the Trossachs and Arran.

Visibility: Away from cloud, which could be as low as 300-500m in the west, mostly good, and perhaps very good where cloud breaks in the east.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 15 around dawn rising to Plus 19 in the afternoon, but up to 23 where cloud breaks..
At 800m: Plus 12 Celsius rising to 15 Celsius in east
Freezing level: Above the summits

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